

# City College News

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**GRADUATION DAY** - Lieutenant-Governor Lincoln Alexander presents 30-year-old Teresa Janik with a certificate at a November graduation ceremony for blind or visually impaired graduates of the Automated Office Procedures program, a Canadian National Institute for the Blind program affiliated with the College. Janik is now working as a data entry clerk for the Toronto Dominion Bank. Diagnosed as having multiple sclerosis in 1984, Janik was suddenly faced with a dramatic sight loss. She now uses a closed-circuit television at work to brighten and enlarge the image of her computer screen.

## Test your Canadian college knowledge

From the frozen tundra of the North to the laid-back coast of British Columbia, colleges are part of the Canadian landscape. But how much do we know about college life outside of George Brown? In recognition of College Week in Canada (Nov. 20 to 26) City College News, with help from the Association of Canadian Community Colleges, has prepared the following mini quiz.

(Answers are at the end of the quiz.)  
1) There's a college in Canada for every 127,426 people, and more colleges than George Brown has full-time programs. How many colleges, institutes of technology and vocational centres are there

in Canada?

2) If all full-time college students got together they would form a city the size of Hamilton. If part-time students did the same thing, they would be as big as Vancouver. How many college students are there in Canada?

3) The median Canadian college student in a certificate program or course was born the year Diefenbaker was first elected prime minister, and *The Cat in the Hat* was first published. How old is he or she?

4) What college is located in an area once owned by a national department

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## Christmas break, reading week cut after 20 days lost

George Brown students are facing five solid months of hard work as they start classes after the faculty strike that ended Nov. 15.

The College has eliminated the traditional reading week in March, and shaved five days off the Christmas break to help make up for 20 days of classes lost during the province-wide college teachers strike that started Oct. 18.

Post-secondary classes will now continue until Dec. 22, a week later than originally scheduled.

Even so, the school year will have to be extended into May for many of George Brown's 8,600 full-time students, according to College Vice-President Garth Jackson.

The College will do all it can to minimize an extension of the school year, he says.

The strike ended on Nov. 15 after representatives of both the Ontario Public Service Employees Union and the Ontario Council of Regents agreed that classes should resume while negotiations with a mediator continue. Those talks, which were continuing on Nov. 23, will result in binding arbitration if they fail to reach agreement on a new contract for Ontario college teachers, counsellors and librarians - including 700 at George Brown.

Academic divisions at George Brown have been asked to draw up plans, on a program-by-program basis, for completing the academic year, Jackson says.

The College offered full tuition refunds to students who withdrew from their program or course for strike-related reasons by Nov. 24.

After the last faculty strike, which lasted more than three weeks in the fall of 1985, about five per cent of full-time students withdrew from the College, President Doug Light told the Board of Governors in October.

The collective agreement between teachers and the Council of Regents expired on August 31, 1989.



## Comment by Doug Light

### Trades are still a last job frontier for women in Ontario

In the past years, women have started to take their rightful place in virtually all sectors of our economy. They are entering management ranks in unprecedented numbers, and can be found doing jobs that a generation ago would be seen as socially unacceptable — from driving buses to repairing telephone wires.

Apprenticeship trades, particularly those traditionally dominated by men, seem to be one of the last vocational frontiers for women.

Women make up only five per cent of Ontario's 40,000 apprentices, and most women are concentrated in traditional female jobs — hairdressing or cooking. There are very few women apprentice ironworkers, electricians, machinists and, as far as research can tell, no women plumbers or industrial mechanics. In fact, it was just this year that George Brown graduated its first female structural steel apprentice.

Now the provincial Ministry of Skills Development and the Ontario Women's Directorate have launched a two-year program to encourage more women to enter non-traditional apprenticeship trade programs — which combine on-the-job training and college courses.

As the largest trainer of apprentices in Ontario, George Brown has a key role to play in this project.

A graduate of our general machinist apprenticeship program, Donna Paris, has been hired to co-ordinate the College's efforts. Much of her time will be spent developing ways to change the image of apprenticeship trades among young women planning their careers.

Apprenticeship trade programs are viable options for many women. They lead to careers that are challenging, and well paying. It's well worth our efforts to make sure this message is heard.

D. E. Light

## Support staff, students go to polls to elect Board members on Dec. 14

More than 750 support staff and 20,000 students at George Brown will go to the polls on Dec. 14 to elect representatives to the College's Board of Governors.

The terms of the current representatives — Ontario Skills Development Office consultant Dino Nassivera and former School of Business student Shawn Alexander — end on Dec. 31.

The 16-member Board is the highest decision-making body in the College, and is legally responsible for all College operations including hiring the president. The support staff and student representatives, along with representatives of academic and administrative staff, join community representatives appointed to the Board by the Council of Regents. The President is the treasurer and a non-voting Board member.

For the first time in January, elected staff and student representatives will vote at Board meetings.

Support staff, including 200 part-time employees, will elect a representative for a three-year term. Student representatives serve a one-year term.

There were nine candidates for the support staff position in the first election held in 1987. Nassivera won with

almost half of the 254 votes cast.

Alexander, a graduate of the Marketing program and former president of the St. James Student Administrative Council, won a 1988 election over three opponents by a comfortable margin. While only 2.5 per cent of eligible students voted in that election, it was a 400 per cent increase over the 1987 election in which about 0.5 per cent exercised their franchise.

All support staff and students are eligible to run in the election.

Nominations for both Board positions open on Nov. 27 and close at 5 p.m. on Dec. 1. Nomination forms, which are available at all Campus Manager's Offices, must be returned to the Chairpersons, Election Committee, care of the President's office at 500 MacPherson.

According to regulations adopted by the College's election committee, candidates may campaign from Dec. 4 to Dec. 13.

An advance poll will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 12 at all campuses from 7 to 9 a.m. for support staff and from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. for students.

Polls will be open on Dec. 14 at all campuses from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

## College knowledge: A Canadian quiz

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store chain? In what language — other than Canada's two official languages — do they teach there?

5) If Canadian college students formed a human pyramid, and university students formed another, which would be taller?

6) The largest college in Canada has 114 times more full-time students than the smallest. Which are they?

Here are the answers:

1) There are 200 college and college-level public educational institutions in Canada. Nearly all have been established in the last 25 years. George Brown, by the way, has about 180 full-time programs.

2) There are about 500,000 full-time students currently enrolled in colleges and about 1.5 million part-time students. George Brown accounts for about 9,000 full-time students and about 50,000 part-time students.

3) According to the ACCC, the median

college student — including both full-time and part-time — was born in 1957 and is now 32 years old.

4) Arctic College in Tuktoyaktuk, North West Territories is located on land once owned by the Hudson's Bay Company. Classes are taught at this, the most northerly college in Canada, in Inuktitut, a native language of local inhabitants.

5) The college students' pyramid would be tallest — by a few heads. The number of college students exceeded university enrolment for the first time in 1977. There are currently 497,450 university students in Canada.

6) Humber College in Etobicoke, with 9,800 full-time students is the largest college in Canada, while Yellowquill College in Portage La Prairie, Manitoba is the smallest with only 86 students. Yellowquill offers programs in business administration, office skills, child care and native economic development.

# Events

**Nov. 28 - Ceramics and Jewellery Department Christmas Sale.** 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Casa Loma Staff Lounge. Student work will be on sale at reasonable prices.

**Nov. 29 - Effective Customer Relations,** a one-day seminar for administrators and support staff. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., St. James Campus, Room 675. Presented by the Staff Training and Development Department. Call Maria DeNotaris (944-4661) for more information.

**Nov. 30 - Support Staff Brown Bag Session: *Everything You Wanted to Know About Your Pension But Were Afraid to Ask.*** 258 Adelaide St. E., Room A-201, noon - 1:30 p.m. For more information call Owen Pearce (944-4663) of the Staff Training and Development Office.

**Dec. 1 - Nominations close** at 5 p.m. for support staff and student elections for the Board of Governors (see story on page 2). For information call Sally Layton at 944-4441.

**Dec. 1-2 - Women's volleyball tournament,** St. James Campus gym, 5 p.m.

**Dec. 4 - Women's varsity basketball,** Seneca vs. George Brown. St. James Campus gym, 6 p.m.

**Dec. 4 - 8 - First Annual Christmas Sale** in the atrium at St. James, daily 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Local vendors will sell kitchen accessories, ceramics, clothing and more. Sponsored by the St. James Student Administrative Council. Call Mario De Carlo at 867-2456 for more information.

**Dec. 4-18 - Nightingale Campus Toy and Food Drive.** New and used toys in good condition will be collected for the Hospital for Sick Children and family shelters; non-perishable food donations will be collected and given to food banks. Sponsored by the Nightingale Student Administrative Council. For information call Anu Raju or Lea Janiro at 593-4421.

**Dec. 5 - Support Staff Brown Bag Session: *Researching the Job Market.*** Casa Loma Boardroom, Room C-318, noon - 1:30 p.m. For more information call Maria DeNotaris (944-4661). Sponsored by the Staff Training and Development Office.

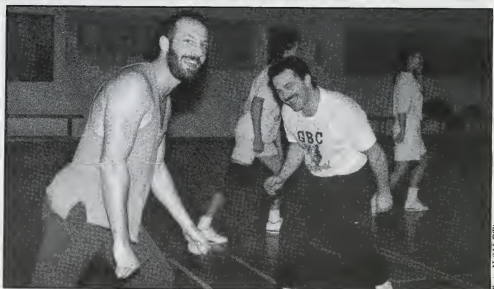


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**FOUR MORE, THREE MORE ....** Nick Taurozzi (left) and Gino Gaudio of the Plant Operations Department at St. James were among more than 50 staff and students to participate in an aerobathon on Oct. 25 in the St. James gym. Taurozzi and Gaudio keep in shape with regular exercise in the weight-room. Participants in the four-hour workout, led by Fitness and Lifestyle Management students, raised more than \$2,500 for student athletics.

**Dec. 5 - Staff volleyball tournament,** Casa Loma and St. James campuses, 4 p.m. Deadline for entries is Dec. 1. Call Alex Barbier at 867-2099 for more information.

**Dec. 8 - Metro Toronto high school basketball invitational tournament.** St. James, 3 p.m. Call Warren Green at 867-2177 for more information.

**- Support Staff Brown Bag Session: *Back Care.*** St. James Campus, Room 173, noon - 1:30 p.m. For more information call Owen Pearce (944-4663) of the Staff Training and Development Office.

**Dec. 9 - Annual George Brown College Children's Party,** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., cafeteria, Casa Loma Campus. For children under 12 years old. Tickets: \$11 for children of George Brown staff members, \$15 for all others. For more information call Marilou (ext. 2414), Angie or Rachel (ext. 4527).

**Dec. 11 - Career Development and Information Workshop,** 6 p.m., 258 Adelaide St. E. Counsellor Frankie Chernin discusses career options, including college programs. For information or registration call Lisa Trudel at 867-2059. Sponsored by the Continuing Education and Marketing Division and the Access Division.

**Dec. 12 - College-wide finals** of the staff volleyball tournament, starting at 4 p.m., Casa Loma gym. For more information call Alex Barbier at 867-2099. Sponsored by the Athletics Department.

**- Advance poll** for support staff and student Board of Governors election at all campuses. 7-9 a.m. for support staff and 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. for students (see story on page 2).

**Dec. 14 - Board of Governors elections** for support staff and all full-time and part-time students. Polling booths at all campuses are open from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 5 to 7 p.m. (see story on page 2). For information call Sally Layton at 944-4441.

**- Support Staff Brown Bag Session: *Teaching for Continuing Education.*** 258 Adelaide St. E., Room A-201, noon-1:30 p.m. For more information call Owen Pearce (944-4663) of the Staff Training and Development Office.

**Dec. 16, 17 - George Brown Theatre** presents a special Christmas presentation for the whole family: *A Friend is a Friend* at Harbourfront's DuMaurier Theatre Centre, 231 Queen's Quay West. 2 p.m. Dec. 16 and at 2 and 4 p.m. on Dec. 17. Tickets are \$4 and are available by calling 973-4000.

# Names in the News

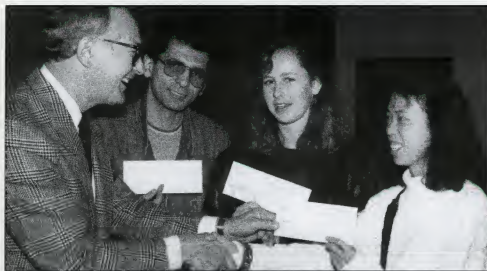


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**LADY LUCK SMILED-** Student Services Associate Director Ray Danley (left) presents \$100 tuition rebate cheques to (from left) Electrical Engineering student Mahmond Momen, Hotel Management student Lorraine Stafford and Creative Fashion student Queenie Ming. Momen, Stafford and Ming were among six winners of the rebates in a draw held after an orientation day in August. Other winners were business students Donovan Campbell and Kimberly Callahan and Hotel Management student Amanda White. The draw was used to attract students to Information Day, an orientation event for new students.

Jim Carswell may be going from computers to corn. The former Director of Computer Services, who left the College on Nov. 1, wants to leave hectic city life behind and settle in the country with his wife and three young sons. "We will be experimenting in growing our own food," he says. Currently working as an independent computer consultant, Carswell was a pioneer at George Brown in the College's use of microcomputers. He joined George Brown in 1977 as a Math and Computer Sciences teacher and became Director of Computer Services in 1982. Senior Vice-President Jim Turner is now the Department's Acting Director.

Some fast footwork paid off for Legal Administration student Melissa Nicholson, Signwriting student Janet Moore and Fitness student Wanda Frederickson at the Ontario College Athletic Association Championships (OCAA) held at Loyalist College in Belleville in October.

The trio helped George Brown's women's soccer team bring home a silver medal, and also won some individual honours. Nicholson was named the Most Valuable Player in the championship game, and she, Moore and Frederickson were selected for the provincial all-star team.

St. James English and Liberal Studies teacher Dianne Acey is George Brown's new Student Success Co-ordinator. Her special assignment involves co-ordinating divisional efforts - mentoring, for example - to improve students' chances for academic success and reduce attrition.

Barry McArthur is now our guy in the Ginza. The independent recruiting expert is working in Japan for a consortium of seven Ontario colleges - including George Brown. (The Ginza is the flashy downtown shopping district in Tokyo.)

The Human Resources Department reports the following staff changes:

New support staff include: Ivan Bujold in the Mechanical Systems Department

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at Casa Loma; Frederick Lee in the Admissions Office at Casa Loma; Audrey Porter in the Admissions Office at Kensington; Colette Caddick in the Kensington Day-Care Centre; and Debbie Cornwall in the Financial Aid Office at St. James.

New faculty include: Dale Atkinson in the Graphic Design Department at St. James; Greg Anozie in the Mechanical Engineering Department at Casa Loma; and John Waters in the Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Department at both St. James and Casa Loma.

Internal transfers include: Ruth Adliff, formerly of the Research and Planning Department at Casa Loma, is now working in the Community Services Department at St. James; Ina Barlow, formerly with the Job Start program at Casa Loma, is now working in the Student Services Department at St. James; Patricia Sturino, formerly of the Ontario Skills Development Office at 180 Frederick St., is now working in the St. James Campus Manager's Office; Elizabeth Hornby, formerly of the School of Business at St. James, is now working in the Community Services Department for the Manager of Day-care Operations at Casa Loma; Nora Kiang, formerly of the Research and Planning Department, is now working as the Systems Co-ordinator in the Registrar's Office at 500 MacPherson; counsellor Don Feldman, formerly with the Adult Basic Education Program at the City Adult Learning Centre, is now with the Ontario Basic Skills Program at Casa Loma; and Ruth Harrison, formerly with the Research and Planning Department at Casa Loma, is now working in the Futures program at 258 Adelaide St. E.

Nancy Beemer of the Student Services Department at St. James is now Nancy Moore and Donna Fundy of the Ontario Skills Development Office at 180 Frederick St. is now Donna Fundy-Golden.

Retiring, after 12 years with the College, is Joseph Nagy from the St. James Caretaking Department.

Leaving the College are: Scott Boughner, Karen Braithwaite, Filomena De Sousa, Robert Irvine, Deborah Reid, Stella Rogers and Linda Tuck.